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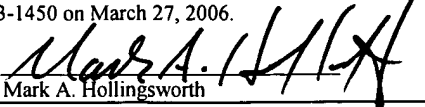
SERIAL NO. 10/733,868

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	WESTLUND	Examiner:	Jastrzab, J.
Serial No.:	10/733,868	Group Art Unit:	3762
Filed:	December 11, 2003	Docket No.:	GUID.076PA (02-046)
Title:	CARDIAC LEAD HAVING COATED FIXATION ARRANGEMENT		

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the papers, as described herein, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on March 27, 2006.

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AMENDMENT & RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed January 26, 2006, setting a three (3) month shortened statutory period for response, Applicant submits the present response under 37 C.F.R. §1.116.

Claims 1-35 remain pending in the application. No claims have been amended, added or canceled. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims.

LISTING OF THE CLAIMS begins on page 2 of this paper.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS begin on page 8 of this paper.